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SHOWTIME - Westglen students Wesley Wilks and Christian Wildt, not shown perform Applaus Applaus by Sportfreunde Stiller on the tuba and drums during the school's annual tal

### Jacobson leaving for St. Albert detachment

BY PAUL FREY MVP Staff

Staff Sgt. Jeff Jacobson is leaving the Didsbury RCMP detachment after the Victoria Day long weekend to take up a posting in St. Albert.

The current Didsbury detachment commander has spent more than five years in Didsbury, and he also spent about two-and-a-half years at the Olds detachment as a corporal immediately prior to taking the job

in Didsbury. He previ-ously served in St. Albert a constable, and will return there as one of several sergeants in a detachment with roughly 70 members. "I specifically listed

a variety of places I'd be willing to transfer to looking at new chal-lenges that I'd be able to undertake. Certainly with (prior experience) in St. Albert I was happy with that option," he said.

Jacobson said while

he enjoyed his time in the area, he said the Didsbury detachment Didsbury detachment will be in good hands with the staff current-ly here. Cpl. Warrren Wright will assume the leadership duties in Didsbury Entil the RCMP chooses a new sergeant for the detachment.

"Right now we have a very competent group of members at our detachment and my leaving is leaving the detachment in very capable hands,'

Jacobson community support for the police was one



of the things that he most enjoyed about the detachment. Members of ety, the auxiliary members, search and rescue. citizens on patrol, community peace officers and staff and council of the communities the detachment serves have been extremely supportive of the members, he

said. "Didsbury (and the surrounding area) certainly is a pro-police area and it's an area where we really have all of our community partners working together

very well. Certainly I've been impressed while stationed here as the commander about how people come together towards a common purpose," he said.

While Jacobson's new role in St. Albert won't involve leading the detachment, it will have several similarities to Didsbury in that he will be in a supervisory position over other officers and will take on human resource and file auditing tasks.

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### **Exchange students liking Didsbury**

BY PAUL FREY MVP Staff

Exchange students from Japan are lik-ing Didsbury and Didsbury High School (DHS).

Three Honami Kimoto, Hitomi Nakata and Maho Asahina arrived in Didsbury in August 2013 and will be here until July.

Kimoto played for the DHS Dragons senior girls basketball team that hosted the provincial girls 2A championships last month. She had previously played basketball for three years in Japan, but said it was different playing against players in Alberta that were much taller than her. She is only 150 centimetres (five feet) tall.

"Here, it was so hard. My teammates were so nice to me. I was having fun with them," she said.

Because the school day is about an hour longer in Japan than in Alberta – and students must clean up their classroom in Japan – Kimoto, a Grade 11 student, said she is finding school much easier in Didsbury

Nakata, a Grade 11 student, said her favourite part about the school and Didsbury in general is that everyone is friendly.

"I like the people. Everyone is so kind to me. The teachers are so nice. They help me a lot," she said, adding that she also finds the



Maho Asahina, Honami Kimoto and Hitomi Nakata came from different parts of Japan to Didsbury to study for one year as part of an exchange program.

bit easier in Didsbury

Asahina, a Grade 10 student, said because Didsbury's population is so small and since most people know everyone else, she finds it extremely friendly. In Japan, she said there is a large emphasis on academics, so she would have to study a lot. There is more of an all-around emphasis in Didsbury, compared to in Japan.

shorter school day a In addition to a longer school day in Japan. there is a lot more homework.

"I like the school. (In Japan) we have tests a lot, so we have to study a lot," she said. "It's so different." Both Nakata and Asahina, who live in

inland areas of Japan, said while they are acclimatized to the snow, they found the Alberta winter colder than what they are

Japan, said she found the winter much colder here as well.

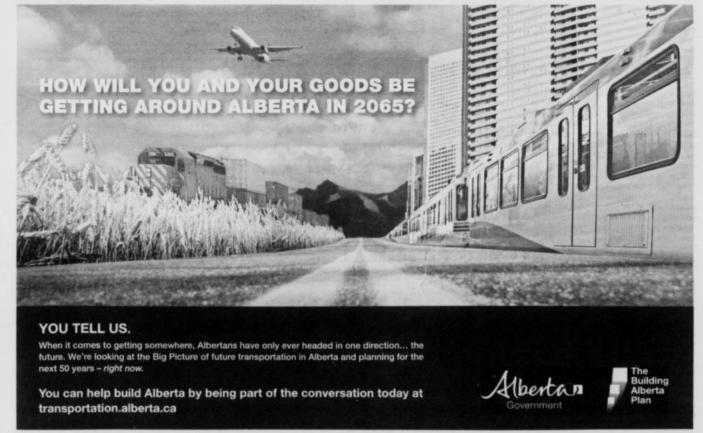
Each of them said that culturally, Canada is much different than Japan, especially in the food choices. Rice is a staple in Japan, and there isn't as much diversity in the food choices. There also isn't as much countryside in Japan.

DHS principal Garth

used to. Kimoto, who Dagg said in the seven lives in the south area years he's been at the school, a few exchange students have come to the school each year. Japanese, Mexican, Japanese, Mexican, Brazilian and German students have studied at DHS in the past.

"My feeling is that we're a pretty small community (in Didsbury) and we just want students to that we are a bigger world out there and there's people from all over. (We want) to just kind of open up the boundaries of small-town Alberta to see these students coming from other parts of the world and they get a chance to network," Dagg said.

For the exchange students, Dagg said in addition to learning more English, seeing the geography and cultural aspects of Alberta are also big parts of





Lody Van Den Berg works on a birdhouse in his workshop on April 17. Van Den Berg has built about 400 birdhouses in the

#### Van Den Berg keeps busy with wood art

BY PAUL FREY MVP Staff

Local craftsman Lody Van Den Berg says the main reason he builds birdhouses and other woodworking pieces is to keep busy in retirement.

The former career firefighter, who spent 30 years with the Calgary Fire Department, also built kitchen cabi-nets and other small renovations as a side business before retiring and doing smaller and lighter projects. He sells his work at White Emporium and Canmore's Stone Waters gallery.

Woodworking been a part of Van Den Berg's lineage for four generations and he naturally picked up the craft.

"It's a creative process. You can do all kinds of different things with it. It keeps you active. I'm always looking for new projects," he said, adding that the birdhouses have become extreme ly popular.

Van Den Berg estimates he's built about 400 birdhouses in the last six years.

Some of his bird-ouses have ended houses ended up in Holland, Japan, Colombia, Spain and elsewhere in Alberta. Many tourists from countries other take one home with them when they visit Canmore

Van Den Berg varies

the design and size of the houses, and often recycled such as tree stumps, wood that was part of a barn or wood that was part of a fence. The old, weathered look of the wood gives the houses an added sense of char-

"A lot of it is in the

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wood because wood is so unique. It's so old. When I go in the bush, sometimes I find a hollow log or I get a piece of bark," he said.

Van Den Berg esti-eates it takes him mates it takes between four and 12 hours to build a house. He said because most birds don't vary in size

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that much, most of his designs will accommodate most birds.

Van Den Berg said the best part of the pastime is staying active, meeting other artists, and being involved in something he enjoys.

"I can't play the gui-tar or piano," he said.

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#### Artist finds success in an unusual

BY ALANNA LINDL MVP Staff

Tammy Ryrie is a little bit surprised about the attention she has been receiving as of late. The 43-year-old Bowdenarea mother of four has become the talk of the town and region recently by making ripples in the

unique and colourful creations, and even winning an award at a Didsbury art show.

"I just sort of fell into it," she said. "My husband Brenton and recently started a business, Aluminum Pictures.ca, transferring digital files such as art, certificates, signage and photography onto aluminum, and through this process I found myself working with Photoshop quite a bit."

Ryrie began fooling around with the Paintbrush aspect of the Adobe program and soon discovered that she could begin with a blank canvas, add different colours and manipulate

beautiful patterns and designs.

During her very first experimentation with this medium, her chil-dren and husband came into the room to see what she was up "They were all very Then my impressed. husband informed me he was going to print it,

That first piece, one she calls Strong Bird, was transferred onto aluminum, and Ryrie was amazed by the effect. "Anything white or light coloured in the piece took on a pearly effect. It was beautiful."

Over the next few months, Ryrie contin-ued to create artwork on

husband continued to transfer onto aluminum. "I found I really loved doing it. Every day I just wanted to sit down and do more and more," she

She began showing a few of her pieces at the Saturday Winter Market at the Innisfail Co-op mall, and at the beginning of April, she decided to display her work at the Didsbury Art, Travel and Trade Expo. To her surprise, not only did she sell two of her pieces, Ryrie also won the People's Choice Award. "I was astounded," she said. "People from 10 to 80 years old really seemed to like what I was doing." Back at home, Ryrie

now spends as much time as she can perfecting her craft, with the blessing of her husband and children. "It is nice that we have our own because it business, allows Brenton the freedom to say, 'I've got the kids, go into your room and do your stuff.' He's very supportive."

She is still experiment-ing a fair bit with her process. "Sometimes I use a blank Photoshop canvas, add a background colour and just start painting Sometimes I take images and manipulate them as well said Ryrie. results are truly spectacular and each piece of

art is definitively unique.
As for aspirations
of glory and fame, the
Innisfail native says she is just having fun making pictures right now. However, she is looking to bring a few of her pieces into a couple of art galleries, just to see what might happen with them.

"I'm already getting phone calls from people interested in my work, from just the small amount of exposure I've had so far," she said. "Who knows? Maybe someday it will balloon

into something really big.' In the meantime, any one interested in seeing more of Ryrie's work can visit her Facebook page, Aluminum Pictures.ca



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#### Didsbury resident victim of scam

Didsbury RCMP eceived a report on April 17 that a Didsbury resident was the victim of the secret shopper scam recently.

The victim answered an online ad for a person looking for a secret shopper. The fraudster sent a coun terfeit cheque in excess of \$2,600 to the victim.

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May 3

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The Olds Community Chorus will present its Spring Concert for the first time in Didsbury. They will sing at 7:30 pm on Sunday May 4 at the Zion Evangelical Church in Didsbury. Admission by free will offering.

bury Addiction and Mental Health are hosting an attion session "Understanding and Managing Anxiety, is welcome to attend the two hour information session, stration is encouraged by calling 403 335-7285. Cost is

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Didsbury Addiction and Mental Health is hosting the second a series of five 2-hour support group for clients from 6:30 8:30 in the Didsbury Hospital Mental Health Meeting Room. st is \$5. Please register by calling 493 335-7285. Maximum

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Word in the West Literacy Fest. Libraries in Mtn. View County are hosting their annual family literacy festival on Friday, May 23 at the County Building on Hwy. 2A.

May 28. Didsbury Museum will be having a guest speaker to help us prepare for Spring and the topic will be Balcony, Patio and Container Gardening ideas. Coffee and Conversation at the museum from 1 to 3:30 pm on the 4th Wednesday of every exorth.

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## Opinion

### Commentary

### Sorry Virginia, income taxes are constitutional

MARK MILKE

If I had a buck for every time someone emailed or called to insist that "the federal government cannot legally collect income I would have long tax. ago retired to sip red wine in an expensive villa in southern Italy. But want to give accountants and lawyers plenty of money, and judges plenty of work, in the years ahead? Try not paying income tax for a season or two; the courts will not come to your aid.

Like any conspiracy theory, it is impossible to track every strand in the origin of the belief that income tax is uncon-stitutional. It appears, however, that Canadian myths are mutations of similar American tales. South of the border, there was in fact a ruling that some income tax was illegal. In an 1895 Supreme Court decision, Pollock v. Farmers Loan & Trust Company, a divided court found that the previous year's attempt by Congress to tax incomes (derived from property) unconstitutional Oddly, just 15 years earlier, the court unanimous upheld the right of Congress to levy a similar tax during the American civil war. Regardless,

Sixteenth Amendment to the U.S. Constitution was passed in 1913 and that cleared up any confusion and explicitly provided for federal income taxes to be levied. Thus, after 1913, the federal government could levy a tax on income anywhere in the United States of America and promptly did so.

In the late 1990s, back when I was employed by the Canadian Taxpayers Federation, self-described "de-taxers" offered seminars and informed paying attendees that income tax resulted from either a conspiracy or an uninformed public.

One reason the incometax-is-illegal movement took off was that great money could be made. Most mythmakers charged people for their de-tax manuals or seminars. One pamphlet listed a \$25 fee for the first night, which climbed to \$100 by the third evening. An entire seminar plus guide would cost over \$700.

The courts have heard the income-tax-is-unconstitutional shtick multiple times and thumped multiple times. In 2001, Sir Daniel Lear, whose real name was Ralph Swim, was convicted in the largest case of tax evasion in Manitoba his tory. With over \$8.4 million in income from varipyramid schemes, and \$2.4 million in taxes evaded. Swim accumulated a sprawling estate on the Red River, luxury cars, and antique furniture for his home. In his defence, he cited the King James Bible, the "doctrine of Philadelphia," the "Tokyo rules," the constitution of Ceylon, and the British North America Act to support his claim Canada's laws and the Income Tax Act did not apply to him.

God, Swim asserted, allowed him to create wealth without paying tax. He also claimed not to be a legal person, called the judge treasonous and testified that "destiny has brought flesh against the infidel." The infidel judge didn't buy it. He instead levied a \$2.4-million fine against Swim/Sir Lear and sentenced him to five years and eight months in prison.

There are too many false claims about income tax to list them all, but to note one example, that federal income tax is "unconstitutional." This belief stems from the misunderstanding over what is written in the Constitution. Some argue that because Section 92 of the Constitution gives the power of "Direct Taxation within the Province in order to the raising of Revenue for Provincial Purposes," then only the province can levy direct income tax. The error in that argument is best deconstructed by the late Melvin H. Smith, Q.C., a one-time constitutional adviser to four British Columbia premiers. He once wrote of how people misread the Constitution

on this point:

The argument saying the federal income tax is illegal goes something like this. Since each level of government is afforded under the Constitution exclusive jurisdiction on the subject matter listed to the exclusion of the other (true) and since income tax is direct taxation (true), then only provinces can impose income tax (false).

The fallacy lies in not reading fully what the provincial taxing powers section says. It does not say the provinces have the exclusive right to impose direct taxation. What it does say is that the provinces have exclusive right to impose direct taxation to raise "revenues for provincial purposes." By contrast, when the federal government imposes an income tax it does so for federal purposes (obviously) and therefore it cannot be said to be infringing

upon the provincial taxing power . . . It means the federal government cannot impose direct taxation (including income tax) "for provincial purposes," but why would it want to?

All of the conspiracies miss a useful, critical point. If some court somewhere in Canada magically declared federal income tax unconstitutional tomorrow, the federal government would simply raise the Goods and Services Tax to 25 per cent to obtain the same amount of revenue. Want to shrink government and your tax bill? An incantation in front of judge about how federal income tax is unconstitutional will not do it.

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### Editorial

#### Student deaths a tragedy for Alberta

DAN SINGLETON

The horrific murder of five Calgary students at a house party on April 15 has shocked and saddened people across West Central Alberta and indeed throughout Canada.

And although the victims were not personally known to most residents, their deaths resonate with students, educators, community leaders and the public at large.

During a special council meeting on April 16, Mountain View County council observed a moment of silence for the murdered students, with reeve Bruce Beattie calling the case a tragedy for all concerned.

"They were really quality young people who had real futures," said Beattie.

Olds College president Tom Thompson said colleges and universities in Canada are a "verytight knit fraternity", making the killings very hard on everyone.

"These are very difficult times

for all faculty and staff and administrators and of course most of all for the student body," said Thompson. "It is heavy on the minds of people here and they were certainly in our

thoughts and prayers."
University of Calgary president
Elizabeth Cannon called the killings a "senseless tragedy" that
has impacted people far and
wide.

"We are deeply saddened by this news and we will work with our community to ensure our members receive the support that they need," said Cannon.

"This is a terrible, terrible tragedy and I think not one that one wants to be speaking about young people who've lost their lives at a very critical point in their lifetimes and a huge impact on all of us."

on all of us."

Raphael Jacob, University of Calgary Students' Union president, added: "We are shocked to learn of the senseless tragedy that occurred. Our thoughts and condolences go out to the

families and friends of all those affected."

Beattie, Thompson, Cannon and Jacob are right: To have these young lives, so full of promise and hope, ended in a rampage of senseless violence is a great and tragic loss for the victims' friends and families and feet the contract of the

for the community at large.

Premier Dave Hancock is also right in calling for the police and others to be given the time and resources to conduct far-reaching and comprehensive investigations.

Albertans will be watching closely as the case against accused Matthew de Grood moves through the court system.

And while it may take many months or even years before the matter is finally concluded, hopefully the end result will be justice and closure for the victims' families and friends.

This horrific tragedy marks a dark episode for Alberta, one that will long be remembered for its utter senselessness.

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#### Didsbury badminton players to compete at zone tournament

Badminton players from Westglen School took nine medals at the Chinook's Edge South Athletic Association (CESAA) junior championships on April 15 in Olds.

A total of 20 of the school's students took part in the competition, with 10 Grade 7 students and 10 Grade 8 students making the trip to Olds.

"The competition in Grade 7 single boys was really strong," said Derrick Anderson, one of the Westglen School badminton coaches.

In the doubles events, both the Grade 7 team of Chase Vanderhoven and Jason Gerber and the Grade 8 team of Hunter Miller did well, securing the gold in each division

"Really, they domi nated in their games," they domi-Anderson said.

Despite some competition, Kassie Miller took silver in the Grade 8 girls division.

"Her play really improved over the year because she was on our team last year. She was executing everything really well," Anderson said.

Teagan Christianson and Shelby Miller, who claimed the bronze in the Grade 8 girls doubles, missed an opportunity to go to the south champicentral zone onship in Okotoks on May 1 by one place. The top two from each division at the CESAA championship move on to the zone tournament. Garrett Crawford also claimed bronze in the Grade 8 boys singles competition.

Kassi Hatcher and Lacey Newsome moved on to the zone tournament with a gold in the Grade 7 girls doubles competition, while Wesley Wilks and Emma Longeway will also compete in Okotoks after claiming the silver in the Grade 7 mixed doubles divi-sion. Christian Wildt claimed a silver in the Grade 7 boys singles competition while Julie Christianson claimed bronze in the Grade 7 girls singles bracket.

In other competition, Nathan Archer of Didsbury High School (DHS) finished third in boys singles division at the south central zone championships on April 12 in Olds.

In the Grade 9 CESAA tournament on April 14 in Sundre, Brock Krebs of DHS finished first in the boys singles com-petition while Cat Wildt finished first in girls singles. Trey Wallace and Chase Sheehan took top spot in boys doubles while Emma Hatcher and Megan McDonald finished second in girls doubles. Zoie Waiting and Boedy Shield finished second in mixed doubles. All those competitors will advance to the zone tournament in Okotoks on May 1.

"It was really good. We have eight of 10 (players) going to zones, which is really good. That's outstanding. Grade 9s did a great job," said Iain Peyton, one of the coaches of the DHS badminton team.



Noel West/MVP Staff

Westglen student Kassie Miller returns the shuttlecock during her match in the grade 8 singles class of the grade 7 and 8 badminton divisionals at the Ralph Klein Centre on April 15.



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Tuesday, May 27 at 7:00 pm

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING: Tuesday, May 13 at 7:00 pm

MUNICIPAL PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING: Wednesday, May 14 at 4:30 pm

Unless otherwise noted, all meetings are held in Council Chambers at the Town Office.

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The Town of Didsbury is currently accepting applications for a volunteer Community Member from the Town of Didsbury to be a Member-at-Large on the Municipal Planning Commission.

Interested parties should submit a letter of interest and resume to:

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Applications will be accepted until 4:00 p.m. Friday, May 1, 2014.

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Dani Woodman - Development Officer



Paul Frey/MVP St

John Wayne of Pilgrim Auctions calls out bids during the Lions acution on April 19 at the Didsbury curling rink.

## Annual Lions auction the best ever for club

BY PAUL FREY MVP Staff

Approximately \$6,500 was raised through the support of the community for the Didsbury Lions Club during the club's annual auction on April 19 at the Didsbury curling rink.

It was the largest

amount of money the club has ever raised through the auction. John Wayne of Pilgrim Auctions helped to sell off numerous items donated by area businesses and individuals in the community. Among the items was a gazebo built by members of the Lions Club. While the club's

16-year-old bus was also up for sale, it was not sold at the auction.

"Our bus committee is going to start to phone other communities that may want a bus," said Doris Born, a Lions member who organized the auction.

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About 75 people attended the event, more than club members had anticipated. Born said both the community support at the event itself and through the amount of donations was greatly appreciated by club members. This year, the club received a lot of donations even before members started soliciting about a week before the event.

"We are very happy with it. This community just supports us tremendously," she said. Born, who organized

Born, who organized the auction for the past four years, is passing the baton to Dallas Johnson for next year. Born said Johnson has a few ideas on how the club may be able to top this year's best-ever event.

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Following the victim's deposit of the counterfeit cheque, the bank advised them that it was counterfeit and requested the victim then repay the bank \$1,100 that they had originally withdrawn.

Cpl. Warren Wright said people need to evaluate whether something could be fraudulent and not ignore any suspicions they may have when approaching or being approached by someone looking to complete a financial transaction.

"People have to understand that there's no easy money."

Trailer stolen

RCMP received a report that a 2012 black utility trailer was stolen from a rural property southwest of Didsbury sometime between April 11 and the afternoon of April 14. The trailer was 4.8 metres long (16 feet) and had wooden sides on it. The trailer has an Alberta licence plate of 4KL160.

## Global Drums concert coming to DHS

BY PAUL FREY MVP Staff

A group of music students from the University of Lethbridge is coming to Didsbury High School (DHS) on May 1.

Directed by Adam Mason, Global Drums will play a diverse set of drums from around the world. The students will play Japanese taiko drums, steel pan drums from Jamaica, and perform traditional Brazilian drumming. The group played at DHS three years ago and the concert sold out. Adam Mason, a music professor at the university, directs the group of 12 to 15 musicians.

"They have styles from all over the world that they'll be showcasing that night. They've toured the world learning and sharing what they know about global drumming and are just a fantastic group," said Kirk Wassmer, music director at Didsbury High School. "The last time they were here they blew the doors off the place."

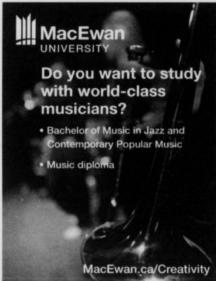
Wassner said the group was so well received last time that he thought it would be a good idea to bring them back and offer a slightly more eclectic spring concert this year. DHS band students can also learn a lot from listening to and playing with the group, he said.

The DHS senior symphonic wind band will open for Global Drums, while other DHS band students will share the stage with the group for one joint number.

"It's going to be about a 140-piece band with 12 to 14 percussionists, so it's going to be a huge piece. My agenda here is so our students at DHS get a chance to hear this group. Adam and I have kept in contact since their last visit here and they were eager to come back and do another show in Didsbury," Wassmer said.

In addition to the concert, members of Global Drums will conduct a workshop on May 2 for Chinook's Edge School Division teachers and students.

Tickets for the concert are available at DHS and at Phamasave. It begins at 7 p.m.



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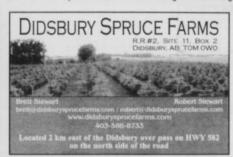




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WESTGLEN'S GOT TALENT - TOP LEFT: Westglen students Areae Bernard, left, and Kiya Gosselin perform a dance routine to "Stutter" by Marianas Trench during the school's annual talent show on April 17. TOP RIGHT: Mason Gray performs "Für Elise" by Beethoven. BOTTOM: Judges dance along with the audience during one of the performances.







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It is with great sadness that that we announce the passing of our beloved mother Mary Gunderson of Olds, formerly of Water Valley at the age of 94 years. Mom passed away on Monday, April 14, 2014 surrounded by her family. She will be

April 14, 2014 surrounded by her family. She will be lovingly remembered by her children Eddy, Peter, Wally, Andrea, Dave, Bill, Rosemary, Don, Carrol and Roy; 44 grandchildren, 66 great-grandchildren and 23 great-great-grandchildren as well as many friends. Mary was predeceased by her husband Oris of 37 years in 1976; her children Gene, Maurice and Sandrea; grandsons Martin, Kevin and Scott and one great-granddaughter Tina. Celebration services will be held Wednesday April 23, 2014 at the First Baptist Church, Olds (5005 53 Ave.) at 1:00 pm. Interment to follow in the Olds Cemetery. A special thank you to Dr. Turner, the dedicated nurses and staff of the Olds Hospital Extended Care, where Mom was a resident for many years. "Forever lovingly remembered".

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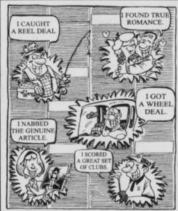
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